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Present — Appleton, I. P. Davis, Harris, Jenks, Lowell, Palfrey, Savage, Sparks, Ware, Willard, Winthrop, and Worcester.

Dissolved.

MONTHLY MEETING, JANUARY, 1835.

Jan. 29, 1835. The President in the chair.

The Committee on the subject of the publications reported that it is advisable to cancel the existing contract with the booksellers, with their consent, and to make another on the basis of the following resolutions:

1. That all the volumes of the Collections shall be sold at a uniform price.

2. That the price of a single volume, or of any number of volumes less than a full set, shall be one dollar, in boards.

3. That a complete set of the work shall be sold at the rate of one dollar for each volume, in boards.

4. That the booksellers shall be allowed a commission of twenty-five per cent on the amount of sales, they agreeing to advertise the work extensively, and to use all the means to promote its circulation that they are accustomed to use in regard to their own publications.

5. That the Librarian be authorized to make a contract with a bookseller or booksellers, according to the tenor of these resolutions, to continue for a period not exceeding three years.

The blanks left by the Committee for amounts being filled as above, the report and resolutions were accepted.

The Librarian reported a deposit of a portrait by

Chester Harding, Esq.;* also, donations from Sir Francis Palgrave and Gamaliel Bradford.

Voted, That the votes of December and August last, relating to an application to the General Court for permission to increase the number of members be reconsidered.

Voted, That the proceedings of the last meeting, which was not held on the last Thursday in the month, be confirmed.

Isaac P. Davis, Esq., nominated Sir John Caldwell, of Quebec, as a Corresponding Member.

Dissolved.

Present — Bradford, J. Davis, I. P. Davis, Francis, Gray, Harris, Lowell, Pierce, Quincy, Ripley, Savage, Sparks, Spooner, Sullivan, Ticknor, Willard, Winthrop, and Worcester.

MONTHLY MEETING.

Feb. 26, 1835. President in the chair.

The Secretary communicated a letter from Dr. Caleb H. Snow, resigning his membership.

Voted, That Dr. Snow's resignation be accepted.†

* The portrait deposited was that of Charles Carroll, of Carrollton. — Eds.

† A brief reference to those Resident Members, included in this volume, who resigned their membership, or who ceased to be members, without removing out of the State, may not inappropriately be made in this place. They will be mentioned in the order of their resignation, &c.

Gen. Elias Hasket Derby, of Salem, was elected in April, 1801. He accepted membership, as appears by a letter on file, addressed to Dr. Eliot, the Corresponding Secretary; but he is put down in the printed list of 1814 as having resigned or ceased to be a member in the same year in which he was elected. General Derby was a merchant. He died in Londonderry, New Hampshire, Sept. 16, 1826.

The case of the Hon. Nathaniel Freeman, of Sandwich, whose name was on the resident roll for sixteen years, was peculiar. See p. 199. He was elected

The Librarian communicated a donation from O. Rich, Esq., of London, and the President communicated a donation from William E. Paine, Esq.

in October, 1792, and ceased to be a member in October, 1808. He was distinguished in civil and military life, was also a physician, and died Sept. 20, 1827. A sketch of his life is in Dr. Thacher's "American Medical Biography."

The Rev. Eliphalet Pearson, elected in January, 1800, resigned Aug. 28, 1810. He was Professor of Hebrew and Oriental languages in Harvard College; and, in 1808, the first Professor of Sacred Literature in the Theological Seminary of Andover. He died in 1826, aged seventy-four.

Mr. Samuel Turell, elected in July, 1793, on the nomination of Dr. Belknap, ceased to be a member, Aug. 27, 1811. He was a watchmaker by trade; and also, for some years, kept a "Museum" at No. 3 Tremont Street, Boston. He was for many years Cabinet-Keeper of the Society. It will be remembered that the Society, at the April meeting in 1802, voted that Mr. Turell be allowed the use of certain articles, to be deposited in a Cabinet of Natural History which he proposed to establish in the town of Boston, the articles to be returned when requested of him; and that he gave great dissatisfaction to the Society in not returning them. He is said to have been a man of intelligence, and a great lover of books. He died in or about the year 1820.

Stephen Higginson, Esq., elected in January, 1803, resigned in August, 1812. He was a merchant and philanthropist, and Steward of Harvard College from 1818 to his death, which occurred Feb. 20, 1834, in the sixty-fourth year of his age.

The Hon. William Baylies, one of the ten original members of the Society, was noticed on p. 246 of this volume, where his resignation is recorded, under the date of April, 1815.

Manasseh Cutler, LL.D., the first New England botanist, elected a member in May, 1792, resigned at the April meeting in 1815. He was a minister of Hamilton, where he died July 28, 1823, aged eighty-one. He was a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and was a Member of Congress in 1800 and 1802. See p. 246 of this volume.

The Rev. Zephaniah Willis, elected in April, 1801, also resigned in April, 1815. He was the minister of Kingston nearly fifty years, dying March 6, 1847, aged ninety-nine years.

Hon. William Wetmore, of Boston, elected in August, 1792, appears to have resigned in August, 1815. On a fly-leaf of a volume of records, in Dr. McKean's hand, is written, "Declared that his membership has surceased 29th August, 1815"; and the resignation under this date appears in the next printed list of all the members, published in 1825. Mr. Wetmore was a graduate of Harvard College in 1770, was a distinguished lawyer, and a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas. A daughter married the late Judge Story. He died in 1830.

Joseph Tilden, Esq., a distinguished merchant, elected in January, 1812, resigned April 25, 1816. He was for a number of years Actuary of the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company, as successor of Dr. Bowditch, was President of the Columbian Bank, and died July 28, 1853, aged seventy-four.

Rev. Ebenezer Fitch, of Williamstown, elected in October, 1798, resigned

The request of C. C. Baldwin, of Worcester, concerning duplicate newspapers, was committed to the Librarian and Treasurer.

April 2, 1817. He was the first President of Williams College, from 1793 to 1815. He then removed to West Bloomfield, in New York, where he died March 21, 1833, aged seventy-seven.

Alden Bradford, LL.D., elected in January, 1793, resigned Jan. 27, 1820. All the privileges of a member as to the use of the Library, &c., were voted to him. See p. 286 of this volume. He died in Boston, Oct. 26, 1843, aged seventy-eight.

Professor John Snelling Popkin, D.D., elected in July, 1801, resigned Jan. 2, 1826. He was the well-known Professor of Greek in Harvard College. He died March 2, 1852, aged eighty.

Ephraim Eliot, elected a Resident Member in August, 1813, resigned Jan. 26, 1826. He was a son of the Rev. Andrew Eliot, pastor of the New North Church, and brother of Dr. John Eliot, one of the founders of the Society, whose place in the Society Dr. Ephraim Eliot was elected to fill, six months after his brother's lamented death. He graduated at Harvard College in 1780, studied medicine with Dr. Isaac Rand, and became a well-known druggist in Boston. He wrote "Historical Notices of the New North Religious Society in Boston," and an "Account of the Physicians in Boston," published in the Proceedings of this Society, in November, 1863. He died in September, 1827, aged sixty-five.

Levi Hedge, LL.D., elected in August, 1815, resigned in January, 1827. He was a well-known Professor of Harvard College for many years, dying in 1854, at the age of seventy-four.

John Thornton Kirkland, LL.D., the distinguished President of Harvard College, elected in January, 1796, resigned April 24, 1828. He died April 26, 1840, in the seventieth year of his age.

The Hon. Daniel Kilham, of Wenham, elected in April, 1798, resigned April 29, 1830. He graduated at Harvard College in 1777, was a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and died suddenly in 1841, aged eighty-eight. He was never married. A sketch of his life and character, in Allen's "History of Wenham," pp. 145-148, shows him to have been a man of character and talents.

John Allyn, D.D., elected in October, 1799, resigned May 5, 1831. He died July 19, 1833; and, though not a member at the time of his death, the Society voted to request the Rev. Convers Francis to prepare a notice of him, which appeared in 3 Collections, V. 245-252.

The Hon. John Pickering, whose resignation is recorded on the same day with that of Dr. Allyn, was re-elected June 25, 1835.

General H. A. S. Dearborn, of Roxbury, was elected in January, 1832. He accepted, in a letter from Washington, on file, and his name is included in a list of members appended to a volume of Collections, issued in 1833. But the Treasurer, Mr. Savage, writes against his name, "never accepted," which was an error; and yet he seems never to have paid his admission fee or any assess-

Chief-Justice JONATHAN SEWALL and Sir JOHN CALDWELL, of Quebec, were unanimously elected Corresponding Members.

Adjourned.

GAMALIEL BRADFORD, *Secretary*.

Present — Appleton, Austin, John Davis, I. P. Davis, Francis, Lowell, Pierce, Quincy, Spooner, Ticknor, Willard, and Winthrop.*

ments, and his name, after the above date, disappears from the lists of members, living or dead. He died in 1851.

Daniel Davis, long known as "Solicitor Davis," elected in May, 1792, resigned June 26, 1834, and died in Cambridge, Oct. 27, 1835, aged seventy-three. Mr. Davis had become so enfeebled that his family desired his place might be made vacant.

Dr. Caleb H. Snow, elected in August, 1826, resigned Feb. 26, 1835, on account of the feeble state of his health, and died on the 6th of the following July, aged thirty-nine. He graduated at Brown University in 1813. He is well known as the author of the "History of Boston," published in 1825, of which a second edition was issued in 1828. — Eds.

* Rev. Dr. Wisner, who was chosen a member in May, 1831, died Feb. 9, 1835. A memoir of him by the Rev. Dr. Dexter will be found in the next volume of Proceedings.

Hon. Nathan Dane, elected in January, 1829, died Feb. 15, 1835. There is now no evidence that Mr. Dane accepted membership, or qualified himself as a member by paying his entrance fee or his annual assessments; and the Treasurer, Mr. Savage, has written against his name in his account book, "Declined." But his name appears in a printed list of "Resident Members, elected since 1824," appended to a volume of Collections published in 1833; and Dr. Palfrey, in his semi-centennial discourse, delivered in 1844, speaks of him as a member, while Dr. Shurtleff includes his name in a list of deceased and living members prefixed to Vol. I., fourth series of Collections, issued in 1852. No assignment of a memoir was made at his decease, and his death is not announced in the records. The present editors have no wish to deprive the Society of the benefit of so distinguished a name connected with their annals, if it properly belongs in the list, and have provided a memoir of him, to appear in the next volume of Proceedings, written by the Rev. Dr. Andrew P. Peabody. — Eds.

MONTHLY MEETING.

March 26, 1835. President in the chair.

The President communicated a letter from Dr. James Mease, acknowledging the receipt of his diploma as a Corresponding Member.

The Librarian communicated the "Bibliotheca Americana Nova," from Obadiah Rich, of London.

The Librarian reported an agreement with Russell, Odiorne, & Co., for the sale of the publications of the Society for three years.

Voted, That the Corresponding Secretary be requested to address a letter to O. Rich, Esq., of London, acknowledging the receipt of his donation, and containing, in addition to the ordinary form, the following: "In acknowledging this donation, the Society cannot forbear to express their particular obligation to the author for a work so highly interesting in its character, and so valuable an acquisition to the historical literature of America."

Messrs. AUSTIN and I. P. DAVIS were appointed a committee on the Treasurer's accounts.

The President expressed a desire to decline a re-election for another year.

The President nominated Hon. John Trumbull, of New York, for a Corresponding Member.

Adjourned.

Present — Coolidge, John Davis, I. P. Davis, Gardner, Harris, Jenks, Lowell, Pierce, Sparks, Spooner, Willard, Winthrop, and Worcester.

GAMALIEL BRADFORD, *Secretary*.